



HOLLISTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

HOLLISTER POLICE ARREST ROBBERY SUSPECT



Sami Afitu

HOLLISTER, CALIFORNIA - *September 18, 2009* – On September 17, 2009 at about 10:30 p.m., Hollister Police Officer Matt Weiss observed a robbery in-progress and immediately arrested the suspect.

While patrolling in the 400 block of East Street, Officer Weiss saw the suspect attempting to take a woman's purse by violently hitting and kicking her. The male suspect then ran away with the victim's purse. Officer Weiss pursued and detained the man within one block. Officer Weiss arrested the suspect and recovered the victim's purse.

The victim sustained injuries and was treated by Hollister Fire Department and AMR.

Witnesses came forward during the investigation and gave statements in addition to Officer Weiss's observations of the incident.

Sami Afitu, 20, was booked into San Benito County Jail for robbery.

The Hollister Police Department encourages community involvement and assistance and reminds citizens you can remain anonymous and call WeTIP at (800) 78-CRIME.

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